

Field Hockey Federation, Inc. Meeting of December 7, 2010

Location: Moorpark College, Fountain Hall, Room 115
Meeting Called to Order 7:05 by Dave Jackson

Board Members in Attendance: Dave Jackson (President), Mike Whitehead (Vice President), Jackie Scally (Past President), Rob Joubert (Systems Director), Joan Cicchi (Treasurer), Patti Niccum (Secretary), Randy Sundeen (Director of Competitions), Stephanie Schmidt (Web Master)

Commissioners: Bob Fleming (Bulldogs), Patti Niccum (Coyotes rep.), Chris Jan (Roadrunners), Randy Sundeen (Wizards)

Randy Sundeen made a motion to accept the minutes from November 2, 2010 meeting. Joan second motion and the vote was unanimous.

Vice President Report: There will be a Level 1 Coaching Clinic at Moorpark College on January 8, 2011. Mike will reserve room and make the announce public. ***There will be \$75 and it will be open to all coaches. We will also have a Level 0 clinic that will be available to parents and interested individuals.*** Dave Jackson Inquired about Level 2 Coaching clinic and those are done by recommendation by USFHA only. We do not have any one qualified in our area as of this point.

Treasurers Report: Joan Cicchi reported that the monies from Cal Cup had been transferred and some issues still remain outstanding pending Billie Ahluwalia. responses. Joan has sent an invoice to Claremont High School that remains unpaid at this time. Joan is currently awaiting Closed Balance Sheets from Clubs for the August 31, 2010 year end.

Joan made a motion for Tom Walling, CPA to file the FHF taxes. Patti Niccum second the motion. Vote was unanimous and the motion was carried.

Joan made a motion for the Board to approve Volunteer of the Month Awards, Golf Shirts, 12 to be purchased at a total of \$323.84. Randy Second motion, vote was unanimous and motion carried.

Past President Report: Jackie spoke with Mark Lammers regarding a Players Clinic at Moorpark College and inquired about the cost of a two day camp. \$3250/week; Full Day/player \$275.00; and Half Day/player \$125.00. He runs the camp with maximum of 12 players and a minimum of 5. He indicated that he would be available on July 7 and 8 for a coaching clinic for \$75/coach. Jackie will set up the financial information and make public.

Vianney Campos wants to also have a player clinic on July 12 and 13th and would like to set up a camp. Jackie was also able to report an additional \$1000 collected from Susan Wasserman for the Bathroom Fund.

Facilities Director: Not present

Competitions Director: The Fall League finished and went very well with no major problems. The Winter League started on December 5th and 12 people showed up. Waiting to cash checks until season is confirmed. Collected a total of \$600 so far.

Spring League; the quantity of teams per division needs to be worked on. An uneven amount of teams makes the games quite repetitive. Maybe a two week schedule can be made to start until all the "Bugs" worked out and more players sign up.

Randy made a motion to purchase a defibrillator and to allocate \$1200 for this purchase. Patti second motion and vote was unanimous.

Two to three people need to be trained for the use of the defibrillator and CPR training should be mandated for all coaches. Several different options for CPR training are available on an individual basis or in a group setting. No decision made.

New Score cards will be utilized during the Spring season and all will be pre-printed with player's names and rosters generated from the web site. A couple of issues still need to be worked on (actual printing of score cards, size of cards, etc.) Team managers/coaches will be responsible for the statistical records for each game. Rick Warren to submit information to newspaper for publication.

Online registration for FHF; the clubs will submit a roster to the FHF online and the members will be cross checked for FHF membership. There will also be a centralized email system from website.

Umpires; Ravi to remain Director of Umpires and Dave Jackson is requesting the Saleem Aaron to work with the Elite umpires to help motivate and encourage constant improvement. Grant Mohr also agreed to work with the Junior Umpires to increase quality throughout the FHF. We need to have an Umpire Clinic before Spring Season and all umpires should have 3 colors of shirts, black shorts, and black socks.

Disciplinary Cards; FHF will be implementing the FIH Rules whereas; a green card is a 2 minute suspension from game with a 2 green card maximum. Then a Red card is issued. Mano Aaron, Tom Harris, and John Ritz are currently working on the Rules and they must be sent, reviewed and approved by the Executive Board before release.

Old Business: Dave Jackson reported on the Bathroom Building Financial Status. Steve Locke, USA Hockey, requested approval \$15000.00 and the vote was 9-0 in our favor. One of the concerns that the USA Hockey Board members had was the possibility of setting precedence for other Hockey sites to request funds. Randy Sundeen commended on the presentation made at the meeting at the National Field Hockey Festival. He was able to calm the fears with explanations of Moorpark being the site for Futures, Men's Training Center and the Jr. National High Performance Training Center. We are awaiting the final decision from USA Hockey for their contribution. Our target is \$40K and we currently have \$12K. The FHF also has a reserve fund that can be utilized until the Spring season registration is collected. All monies from the reserve will be reimbursed from registration. We will determine the Ground Breaking Date at the January Meeting. There will be a ten week lead time for construction and want to have it done before the end of Spring season and Cal Cup.

Membership Inquiries: There have been a couple of inquiries regarding possible discounts for membership to the FHF. Military, Family, etc. It was determined that No discounts would be given and that all financial assistance should be done at the club level. Credits will be given to those who previously contributed to the Bathroom Fund.

Several Local individuals are on the Board of Directors for USA Field Hockey; Martha Jordan, Billie Ahluwalia, Pat Cota, Tej Singh, and Jackie Scally as alternate.

New Business: Dave Jackson spoke with Terry Walsh and Nick Conway and they would like to see a position open for Field Hockey Federation Technical Director. They would like to offer \$10,000.00 per year, no strings attached, for Men's Development in our area. The money would be available if the Men's Foundation and FHF could conjointly fund an additional \$7000. Ben Maraquin was the suggested appointee. He would work directly with the Commissioners and coaches to build the Men's program. Dave Jackson suggested that the LA84 Grant money be utilized for the FHF Technical Director Proposal. In the past, the LA84 grant money was given to Ben to pay for coaches, equipment and \$3500 stipend for his compensation. A long discussion ensued and the January 1st hopeful deadline for approval will be delayed until more information can be given regarding the exact program that Ben would be running. The sign up's for the High Performance Training will begin in May 2011.

Registration: The website is currently in the Beta Testing mode for the registration and Board and commissioner were given a temp. log in and password for testing. All registration will be done by Age for the youth divisions.

Log In – Board Director

Password – FHFHockey

Go to Home tab, Register Online and begin registration.

Next Meeting: January 4th, 7:00 pm and the location tbd

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30